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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM - IV NOMINATION AND
BIOGRAPHIC DATA: FY 74 COUNTRY ALLOCATION FOR CURACAO.

REFERENCE: CURACAO A-66 (1973), STATE 225590, A-5626

STATE PASS WAUCHOPE (ARA/CAR)

1. CONGEN PREVIOUSLY NOMINATED ROBERTO SURIEL FOR LEADER EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM. THE NOMINATION HAD BEEN APPROVED. BECAUSE OF PRESSING NATURE OF GNA BUSINESS, SURIEL NOTIFIED CONGEN HE WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE. CONGEN HAS DETERMINED THAT LATE CANCELLATION OF SURIEL CONSTITUTES COMPELLING REASON AS SET FORTH IN (12 FAM 407.2-3A) AND JUSTIFIES TRAVEL IN FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING YEAR OF AWARD AND WISHES SUBMIT NEW NOMINEE. AS CU FUNDS HAVE ALREADY BEEN ALLOCATED FOR SURIEL, CONGEN BELIEVES HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS AN ALTERNATE AND FUNDED APPROPRIATELY.

2. CONGEN NOMINATES MAURITS JOHANNES LARMONIE (SURNAME LARMONIE) FOR A FULL GRANT OF OBSERVATION AND CONSULTATION. MR. LARMONIE IS PRESENTLY A MEMBER OF THE STATEN (PARLIAMENT) OF THE NA, REPRESENTING THE NVP-V PARTY WHICH IS THE GOVERNING MAJORITY. HE IS EMPLOYED BY THE ISLAND GOVERNMENT OF CURACAO IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE REALM COMMISSION, PRESENLY DECIDING ON THE STATUS OF INDEPENDENCE FOR SURINAM AND NA, AND PLAYS A MAJOR ROLE IN GNA COMMITTEES ON AIRPORT SECURITY AND EXPLOITATION AND ON EFFICIENCY IN TOURISM

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PROMOTION, AMONG OTHERS. HE THEREFORE HAS HIS FINGER ON THE

PULSE OF TWO MAJOR NA CONCERNS, INDEPENDENCE AND TOUTISM. MR. LARMONIE IS VERY INTERESTED IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS, ESPECIALLY IN AREAS OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION. THE GNA IS LIKELY TO CALL UPON MR. LARMONIE S TALENTS FOR ITS NASCENT FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. HE IS SEEN AS A RAPIDLY RISING YOUNG LEADER FOR THE GNA, IS HIGHLY RESPECTED IN LOCAL POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCLES, AND IS MOST CERTAINLY DESTINED TO PLAY A CENTRAL ROLE IN GNA DEVELOPMENT.

3. BIOGRAPHIC DATA

A) SIGNIFICANT POSITION - MEMBER OF HE STATEN NA, EMPLOYED BY ISLAND GOVERCMET OF CURACAO IN FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

B) BORN APRIL 20, 1936 ON CURACAO. CITIZEN NA. MALE, MARRIED WITH 2 CHILDREN, AGES (FEMALE) AND 5 (MALE).

HOME ADDRESS: SCHOONEBOOM 2, SANTA ROSA, CURACAO. EMERGENCY CONTACT: WIFE, HILDEGARDE, AT SAME ADDRESS.

EDUCATION: LAW DEGREE (MEESTER) LEIDEN UNIVERSITY, HOLLAND, DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMIN. AND FINANCE, HOLLAND. MEMBER CURACAO JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED ARTICLE IN LOCAL JOURNAL ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

TRAVEL ABROAD:

U.S.: 1973, 7 DAYS, TOURISM PROMOTION.
1955-57: BELGIUM, LUXEMBOURG, ENGLAND, HOLLAND - STUDY.
1974: 10 DAYS BRAZIL, GNA BUSINESS

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION:

MR. LARMONIE IS A HUSKY, ATHLETIC BLACK ANTILLEAN. HE IS HIGHLY INTELLIGENT AND WELL INFORMED ON MOST TOPICS. HE IS FRIENDLY TO THE US AND RELATIVELY CONSERVATIVE. HE IS NOT AFRAID TO ASK QUESTIONS OF OTHERS OR ANSWER QUESTIONS HIMSELF, IN SHORT, HE IS A GOOD CONVERSATIONALIST AND A LIKEABLE INDIVIDUAL. HE EXHIBITS AN OUGOING AND FRIENDLY ATTITUDE.

C) KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH IS EXCELLENT (S-4, R-4).

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D) NOMINEE KNOWS DUTCH AND PAPIAMENTO ON THE (S-5, R-5) LEVEL, SPANISH (S-3, R-3) AND FRENCH (S-2, R-2).

4. MR. LARMONIE HAS NEVER HELD A USG GRANT AND WILL REQUIRE NEITHER ESCORT NOR INTERPRETER SERVICES.

5. TENTATIVE VISA ELIGIBILITY: QUALIFIED.

6. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: MR. LARMONIE S INTERESTS IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS LARGELY INFLUENCE HIS SUGGESTIONS. HE SUGGESTS:

A) INTERVIEWS WITH STATE DEPT. OFFICIALS KNOWLEDGEABLE IN CARIBBEAN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS.

B) DISCUSSIONS WITH APPROPRIATE AID OFFICIALS ON AID PROGRAM IN THE CARIBBEAN AND POSSIBILITIES OF AID FOR NA.

C) APPOINTMENT WITH MR. W. ARTHUR LEWIS, FORMER HEAD OF CARICOM, AND NOW AT PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, WITH WHOM HE IS ACQUAINTED.

D) DISCUSSION WITH UNIV. OF BOSTON OFFICIALS ABOUT DETAILS ON COURSE ON AIRPORT MANAGEMENT.

E) VISITS AND DISCUSSIONS AT VARIOUS US AIRPORTS TO GUIDE NA AIRPORT EFFICIENCY AND SECURITY.

F) DISCUSSIONS ON TOURISM EXPLOITATION, ESPECIALLY CENTERING ON US TOURS TO NA.

G) TOUR OF WASHINGTON DC, EMPHASIZING CONGRESSIONAL SESSION, SIGHTSEEING.

7. POST SUGGESTIONS:

A) CONGEN CONCURS AND URGES DISCUSSION WITH APPROPRIATE ARA/CAR OFFICIALS, OR OTHER OFFICIALS DEPARTMENT MAY SUGGEST.

B) CONGEN CONCURS BUT SHOULD WARN ANY AID OFFICIALS TO EMPHASIZE THAT US DOES NOT INTEND TO EXTEND BILATERAL AID TO THE NA, SINCE AID IS A RESPONSIBILITY OF HOLLAND.

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C) CONGEN FINDS APPOINTMENT WOULD BE GREATLY BENEFICIAL. NOMINEE STRESSED INTEREST AND INTERES OF GNA IN FURTHER CONTACT WITH MR. LEWIS.

D) AND E) GIVEN NOMINEE S RESPONSIBILITY IN AREA, CONGEN RECOMMENDS DISCUSSION WITH FAA OFFICIALS AND VISITS TO US INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS (MIAMI, LA, DALLAS, DULLES). POSSIBLY A VISIT TO FAA TRAINING SCHOOL IN OKLAHOMA WOULD BE INDICATED.

F) AND G) CONGEN CONCURS AND SUGGESTS SESSIONS WITH MODERATE CONGRESSMEN.

8. OTHER POST SUGGESTIONS:

A) NOMINEE BRIEFLY MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF NAACP. ALTHOUGH NOTHING SPECIFIC TO DISCUSS, MEETING MIGHT BE HELPFUL IN ESTABLISHING TIES BETWEEN CURACAO'S 85 PERCENT BLACK POPULATION AND MODERATE BLACK ACTIVIST MOVEMENT IN US.

B) MR. LARMONIE HAS WRITTEN AN UNPUBLISHED PAPER ON CARIBBEAN CONFEDERATION. HE MAY HAVE SOME INTEREST IN DISCUSSING THIS MATTER.

9. MR. LARMONIE, IN LIGHT OF BUSY GNA SCHEDULE, IS AVAILABLE TO TRAVEL DURING MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1974.

10. ACTION REQUESTED: CONGEN TO BE NOTIFIED ASAP BY URGENT TELEGRAM OF APPROVAL AND ARRANGEMENTS.
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